GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

Tribal Welfare Department –TSP – Establishment of Research Unit at Vijayawada by the Centre for Economic and Social Studies (CESS) under TSP for Monitoring and Evaluation and undertaking Research Studies of STs in Andhra Pradesh – Orders – Issued.

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TRIBAL WELFARE (BUD) DEPARTMENT

G.O.MS.No. 16 Dated: 22-02-2017

Read the following:

1. From the Director of Centre for Economic and Social Studies (CESS), Hyderabad, DO letter No:CESS/312/2015-16 dated:24/9/2015
2. From the Director of Tribal Welfare, AP, Hyderabad, letter No:L/4775/ 2015, Dt:08.12.2015.

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ORDER:

The Director of Tribal Welfare, A.P., Hyderabad in the reference 2nd read above has informed that the Director, CESS, Hyderabad while submitting a proposal has stated that a Research Unit has to be established in Vijayawada and taking into consideration of the market rate for the rent, approximate expenditure towards salaries, rent and office maintenance etc. towards recurring expenditure and also other expenditure towards non-recurring and submitted the technical as well as financial proposal duly furnishing the activities to be taken by the Research Unit as follows:

I. Tentative proposed studies to be taken by RUTS:

1. Identification of gaps in between the provisions in the recent and earlier acts and the guidelines issued through Government orders to implement the provisions;
2. Baseline study to assess the status of STs in AP;
3. Study to identify the drivers and barriers that have contributed to gap between STs and other castes in regard to poverty, health and nutrition and education;
4. Study to take stock of the existing data base and exploring the new data bases to meet the emerging requirements like monitoring;
5. Comparative studies on undertaking dynamics of development of STs in AP with those of in other states in India.

II. PROPOSALS:

(a) Technical activities of the RUTS:

- To organize brainstorming workshops with different stakeholders like ST leaders, Academicians, Researchers, Policy makers.
- NGOs, Social Activists and Representatives from the Corporate Sector. The Advisory Committee decides the direction and provides advice to set the research studies. The Committee consists of different stake holders drawn from different sectors.
- including representative(s) from the Director, Tribal Welfare Department.
- A Technical Committee will be constituted to obtain inputs to formulate detailed proposals for each study identified in the Advisory Committee. This Committee will also monitor the progress of the research studies and provide inputs to complete studies on time.

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- A Review Committee will be constituted to review the progress of the work every month. This Committee consists of team from Research Unit and Representative from TW Department.

- The faculty of RUTS will be drawn from different disciplines like Economics, Sociology, Anthropology, Political Sciences and Public Administration.

(b) Financial proposal:

CESS has furnished proposals with an estimated annual budget of Rs.381.76 lakhs as given below:

Sl. No	**Particulars**	**Amount/Annum (Rs. in lakhs)**
1.	Man power cost	120.00
2.	Field travel expenses	18.00
3.	Other expenses (printing reports, policy briefs, working paper, monographs etc.)	5.75
4.	Other academic activities (seminars, lectures etc.)	173.06
5.	Recurring and non-recurring cost of Research Unit at Vijayawada	64.95
	Grand Total	**381.76**

III. Duration of Research Unit for Studies on STs (RUTS) : 5 years.

IV. Organizational Structure:

The required human resources will be drawn from within the CESS and or by extending invitation to the experts on the required areas of expertise from the research institutes in the country.

V. Need for establishment of a Research Unit at Vijayawada for undertaking research studies on STs in AP

- The APSCs Sub-Plan and Tribal Sub-Plan (Planning, allocation and utilisation of financial resources) Act, 2013 (Act No:1/2013) need intensive and extensive research to calibrate the policy initiatives to suit the socio-economic transformation process of STs in the context of the recent economic reforms and to provide inputs to public policy and practices for ensuring inclusive development for all the STs in the state of AP.

2. The Director of Tribal Welfare, AP, Hyderabad has further stated that the TW Department is itself not in a position to take up the research activities with the meager staff available in the Department about the status of the ST people i.e. Social, Economic and other aspects with the funds provided by the State Government in order to bring overall change among the ST population in AP. Hence, it is felt necessary that a separate Organization shall be established to evaluate the condition of the STs and proposed schemes for their overall development in the coming 5 years i.e. TSP prescribed plan period. The budget required for establishing a Research Unit at Vijayawada by the Director, CESS is Rs.3.82 crores and can be met within the left over budget under TSP. Hence, the Director of Tribal Welfare, Andhra Pradesh, Hyderabad has requested the Government to issue necessary orders in the matter.

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3. Government after careful examination of the matter hereby agree with the proposal of the Director of Tribal Welfare, A.P., Hyderabad to establish a Research Center for Economic and Social Studies(CESS)at Vijayawada for monitoring and evaluation and undertaking Research studies of STs in A.P. with an estimated cost of Rs.3.82 crores which can be met from the leftover budget under TSP, subject to place the matter before the A.P.State Council for Development of SCs and STs through Nodal Agency for approval.

4. The Director of Tribal Welfare, A.P., Hyderabad shall take further necessary action accordingly.

5. This order issues with the concurrence of the Finance Department vide their U.O.No. 40/52/2016-SO(FMU.Wel.II)-FIN, dated 7-6-2016.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

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The General Administration (Cabinet) Department.
The Prl.Secy. to C.M.
The PS to M(SWE&TWE)
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